

# House District 31

## James A. "Jim" Crary



**DATE OF BIRTH:** August 28, 1952

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Fargo, North Dakota

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Dianna Crary, kindergarten teacher, Anchorage School District.

**CHILDREN:** David (19), freshman at UAA; Alexandria (14), freshman at Service; Emily (12) 7th grade at Goldenview; Grace (5), kindergarten.

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**OCCUPATION:** Supply Chain Management  
Department, BP Exploration.

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 20 years

**EDUCATION:** Shanley High School (Fargo, North Dakota), 1970; Creighton University, (Omaha, Nebraska), 1970-1971; Pacific Lutheran University, (Tacoma, Washington), 1973-1976, B.B.A.; University of Norway at Oslo, August 1975-December 1975; University of San Diego School of Law, 1977-1980, J.D.

**MILITARY SERVICE:** U.S. Army, E-4, January 1972-October 1973, Honorable Discharge.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Municipality of Anchorage, Department of Law, January 1983-January 1997; positions held: Assistant Municipal Prosecutor, contracts/procurement work, insurance defense and Senior Attorney, ATU; BPXA, January 1997 to the present.

### **OTHER:**

Hiking, bicycling, working out, hunting and cross country skiing.

### **STATEMENT:**

The biggest issue in 2002 is Alaska's \$869,000,000 budget shortfall.

**Here is my proposal for Alaska to get its fiscal house in order.**

•**A 15-cent per drink increase in the alcohol excise tax.** This will raise an additional \$60,000,000. With an almost \$900,000,000 budget deficit we can no longer afford to subsidize alcohol to the degree we are presently subsidizing it.

•**A flat 1.5 % income tax on your federal adjusted gross income.**

I am not excited about an income tax but neither do I not want to stop the PFD program. An income tax is deductible off your federal taxes and will tax people who work in Alaska but do not live here.

•**A 10 cent per gallon increase in the gas tax.** I would work to have this money used for road maintenance.

•**\$250 from every PFD.** This would raise \$156,750,000. This will mean that everybody has some skin in the game but the PFD will still be allowed to grow.

•**No statewide sales tax.** If local governments want to impose a sales tax, let them.

•**Use Permanent Fund earnings remaining after inflation proofing and dividends have been paid.**

•**A \$50/person cruise ship passenger fee.**

**Finally, if someone says something about me that lowers your opinion of me please, before you believe what is probably a distorted half truth, give me a call at 345-4008 and allow me to give you, "the rest of the story".**

Thank you.

Jim Crary

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